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4. [] JGO) Met with Mr. John Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and welcomed him back after several months absence recovering from major surgery. Mr. Blandford appears well and is looking forward to getting back into the swing of things.

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5. [] JGO) Talked to [] General Counsel, NSA, at some length regarding the recently enacted pay legislation and questions arising from possible retroactive payment of salary increase under the bill. From our knowledge of the bill, and later verification by Mr. Houston and [] I told [] that we see no apparent problem in the bill, and that further action on pay increase will have to await signing of the implementing executive order by the President.

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